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TO: Federal Communications Commission

FROM: John Oxendine
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Blackstar Communications, Inc.

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President
Roberts Broadcasting Company, Inc.

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DATE: March 12, 1993

RE: Ex Parte Presentation
MM Docket No. 93-8

Messrs. Oxendine, Roberts, Stroud and Salomon met with FCC Chairman James Quello, and Messrs. Oxendine, Roberts, Stroud, Salomon and Feore met with FCC Commissioner Ervin Duggan and Robert Branson and Byron Marchant, Advisors to FCC Commissioner Andrew Barrett to discuss the impact of the FCC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in MM Docket No. 93-8 on their minority-owned television stations. Messrs. Oxendine, Roberts and Stroud emphasized the importance of must-carry status to enable their UHF television stations to effectively compete in their local markets, noted the lengthy FCC proceedings that had preceded their ability to obtain their television licenses and stressed their stations' service to their local communities.

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Messrs. Oxendine, Roberts and Stroud indicated the importance of HSN's programming to the survival of their stations and urged the Commissioners in reaching a decision in MM Docket No. 93-8 to apply a unitary public interest standard to television stations so that a television station operating in the public interest for purposes of FCC licensing would otherwise be